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For: **Viral Vectors Containing Recombination Sites**

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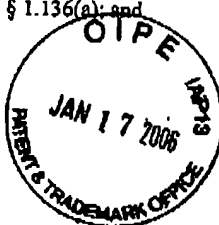
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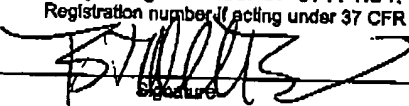
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Application Number 10/622,088		Filed July 18, 2003	
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Art Unit 1648		Examiner Brown, Timothy M.	
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Reply to Restriction Requirement and Election of Species

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Invention II, claims 17-27, drawn to a method of constructing a recombinant virus, classified in class 435, subclass 235.1. The Examiner additionally required two species elections (i.e., a viral species, and a species of sequence of interest), in the event that Applicants should elect Invention II. Applicants hereby elect species (ii) and (viii), where the viral species is a Lentivirus, and the sequence of interest is a polypeptide. These elections of species are made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or invention disclosed. Applicants reserve their rights pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a) to have additional species considered in the event that a generic claim is found allowable.

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It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,



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